

African American Book Experience Activity Sheet

Student's Name _____ Grade _____

School _____

Parent's phone _____ Parent's email _____

Book title and author _____

Directions: Describe why you enjoyed the book. Use words or draw a picture (or both). Return this sheet to any branch of the Anne Arundel County Public Library to be entered in the contest.

I enjoyed reading this book because...

African American Book Experience 2016 - FAQ

What is the African American Book Experience?

The African American Book Experience is a fun, month-long activity to give students in grades K-12 the opportunity to celebrate Black History Month through literature.

Who can participate in the African American Book Experience?

Any student in grades K-12 who lives in Anne Arundel County is eligible to participate.

When will the African American Book Experience take place?

The African American Book Experience will take place February 1 through March 4, 2016.

What do I do?

Visit your local branch of the Anne Arundel County Public Library (AACPL) and check out an African American book of your choice. Read the book, complete the activity sheet and return it to an AACPL branch to be entered into the grand prize drawing. It is that simple!

Can I read more than one book?

Yes, you may read as many books as you like. One activity sheet must be completed for each book.

What types of books qualify for the African American Experience?

Any book that is about African Americans or is written by an African American qualifies for the African American Book Experience. It is suggested that students select books based on their grade level.

Is there a suggested reading list?

A list of suggested books is available online at the website for either the Banneker-Douglass Museum (www.bdmuseum.maryland.gov) or the Anne Arundel County Public Library (www.aacpl.net). Students are not required to choose from the list.

Copies of the activity sheet and a FAQ sheet are available on both websites as well.

How will I show that I have read a book?

Once students have read the book of their choice, simply complete the activity sheet and drop it off at the nearest AACPL branch.

What is the grand prize?

The grand prize is a \$10 iTunes gift card.

When will prizes be given?

A grand prize will be distributed to one person in each of the following categories: elementary, middle, and high school at a celebration party on Saturday, March 12 from 1 to 3 p.m.

In the case of inclement weather, the party will be rescheduled for Saturday, April 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. Participation prizes will be distributed to all students who turn in a completed activity sheet. One prize per student.

Who do I contact if I need more information?

Any further questions can be directed to Trenda Byrd, curator of education, at the Banneker-Douglass Museum at trenda.byrd@maryland.gov or at 410-216-6189.

The Banneker-Douglass Museum is located at 84 Franklin Street in Annapolis.



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